This Timber Sale Notice does <u>not</u> constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal of a forest management decision. Consistent with 43 CFR Subpart 5003 – Administrative Remedies, the notice of a timber sale, when published as a legal ad in a newspaper of general circulation shall constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal. The sale notice, first published on November 1, 2001, in the Medford Mail Tribune, Grants Pass Daily Courier, and Roseburg News Review newspapers, constituted the decision document for purposes of protest under 43 CFR Subpart 5003 – Administrative Remedies. The doctrine of administrative finality precludes review of issues which could have been reviewed at the time of the first offering but were not, and of issues on which a final decision was made at the time of the first offering.

TIMBER FOR SALE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. ORAL AUCTION OR SEALED BIDS as hereinafter designated will be received by the District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Medford District Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon 97504, at 9:00 A.M., PACIFIC TIME, on Thursday, July 24, 2003, for all timber marked or designated for cutting. This is not a public meeting and is an invitation to bid only. Therefore, only those persons bidding on timber sales will be allowed to attend this auction. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale, and submission of bids should be obtained from the above District Manager. The right is hereby reserved to waive technical defects in this advertisement and to reject any or all bids. The United States reserves the right to waive any informality in bids received whenever such waiver is in the interest of the United States. This sale notice, first published on November 1, 2001, constituted the decision document for purposes of protests under 43 CFR Subpart 5003 -Administrative Remedies. The doctrine of administrative finality precludes review of issues which could have been reviewed at the time of the first offering but were not, and of issues on which a final decision was made at the time of the first offering. IN JACKSON COUNTY: OREGON: O&C: ORAL AUCTION: All timber designated for cutting on the CONDE SHELL timber sale located in Sections 4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, and 29, T. 38 S., R. 3 E., Will. Mer., estimated for the purpose of this sale to be 9,736 C cu. ft. of merchantable timber. No written bid for less than \$446,024.60 will be considered. Minimum deposit with written bid is \$44,700.00. All timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber. An environmental assessment (EA-OR110-01-23) was prepared for this sale, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. These documents are available for inspection as background for this sale at the Medford District Office.